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**AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.**  
LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane,  
Leadenhall Street, GEORGE STREET, 30,  
Cordell, GORDON & GORDON, 121, Hol-  
born Hill, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co.,  
4, Old Jewry, E.C.  
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW  
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORDON, Mel-  
bourne and Sydney.  
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports  
generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San  
Francisco.  
CHINA.—SWATOW, DROWN & Co. Amoy,  
GILES & Co. Foochow, THOMPSON &  
Co. Shanghai, H. ROSS & Co. Man-  
gala, C. K. K. & Co.

**Arrivals.**  
Dec. 8, *Sylea*, H. B. M. steamer, 695,  
Brooker, Foochow, Dec. 6.  
Dec. 8, *Ellen Morris*, British brig, 194,  
Sillick, Panton, Nov. 28, General.—Gov-  
-JAY HOBEN & Co.  
Dec. 8, Canton, N. G. barque, 235, Gott,  
Sydney, Oct. 22, 300 tons Coal.—STIMSEN &  
Co.

**Departures.**  
Dec. 8, *Alao*, for London.  
8, *Tye-long*, for Bangkok.  
8, *Schiller*, for San Francisco.

**Shipping Reports.**  
The Brit. brig *Ellen Morris*, from Tien-  
tain, reports the first part of passage fine  
weather, light N. E. wind, the latter part  
moderate N. E. monsoon till arrival in port.  
The North German barque *Canton*, from  
Sydney, reports fine weather; crossed the  
line on Nov. 11, in long. 160.25 E.; thence  
to Formosa Channel had variable weather  
and winds, then had steady N. E. monsoon  
till arrival in port on Dec. 8. 45 days out.

**New Advertisements.**  
HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE.  
THE Half-yearly MEETING of the  
CHAMBER has been postponed to Thurs-  
day next, the 10th inst., at 3 p.m. Mem-  
bers are requested to attend.  
By order,  
J. W. WOOD,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 8, 1868. del10

**BELLEVUE HOUSE.**  
PRIVATE BOARD AND LODGING  
ESTABLISHMENT.  
Hollywood Road, No. 6, next to the  
HOTEL D'EUROPE, lately Mrs VINTON'S.  
CHARLES F. F. BAURG.  
Hongkong, December 7, 1868.

**W. B. DICK & Co.'s "DEXTERITY."**  
THE Undersigned, as Agents for the Pa-  
tentees, are prepared to take Orders  
for or sell the above at Original Prices, re-  
duced at 42 per cent, with an addition of  
15 per cent. for freight and charges.  
Models can be seen at the premises of  
the undersigned.  
PRICES.—  
For Engine. Charges.  
No. 3, 2A \$22. 3/ \$0.83c.  
No. 4, 2A 10/ \$25. 4/ \$1.10c.  
No. 5, 25 5/ \$29. 5/6 \$1.52c.  
No. 6, 28 6/ \$35. 7/ \$1.90c.  
ARNHOLD, KARBBERG & Co.  
Hongkong, December 8, 1868. del8

**Ex "Mikado," and "Whitehall."**  
MISS ROSE  
HAS received a Choice Selection of French  
and English Fancy GOODS, suitable  
for BIRTHDAY and CHRISTMAS PRE-  
SENTS, also TOYS, in great variety.  
Quilting, Serges, Repe, plain and printed  
Flannels, Prints, Calicos, Merino, and all  
the newest designs in Woolen GOODS.  
Blackets, Huckaback and Turkish Tow-  
elling, Bath Blankets, &c., &c.  
And, per last Overland Mail,  
Ladies' & Children's Hats and Bonnets,  
Silk Velvet, Velveteen, and Cloth Jack-  
ets, in the latest styles.  
WELLINGTON STREET,  
Opposite the Catholic Chapel.  
Hongkong, December 8, 1868.

**SEALED TENDERS** (in Duplicate)  
marked "Tenders for Bills" will be  
received at this Office until Noon on  
FRIDAY, the 11th inst., for Bills on  
the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's  
Treasury, or on the Governor General of  
India in Council, Calcutta, both at 30 days'  
sight, in exchange for current Dollars of  
Hongkong at 7.1.7, or number one clean  
Mexican Dollars counted.  
Bills on London will not be drawn for  
sums under £1,000, and on Calcutta under  
Rupees 10,000.  
The accepted Tenders will be at once no-  
tified to the respective parties by letter, re-  
questing them to lodge the amount to the  
credit of the Commission's Account at the  
Oriental Bank Corporation, where a re-  
ceipt will be given, on production of which  
at this office the Bills will be issued.  
In order to save time, it is requested that  
the sets of Bills required may be detailed in  
the margin of the Tender, and it is particu-  
larly requested that the Tenders may be in  
duplicate.  
REDMOND UNACKE,  
Dy. Commis. Gen.  
Controller's Office, Commissioners,  
Hongkong, December 6, 1868. del11

**New Advertisements.**  
**73rd REGIMENT THEATRICALS.**  
BAND AMATEUR SOCIETY.  
BY the kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel  
G. J. BURN,  
The Members of the above will perform  
at the  
GARRISON THEATRE,  
North Barracks,  
on  
Friday and Saturday,  
the 11th and 12th December, 1868.  
The Grand Comic Operatic Extravaganza,  
BY  
Messrs A. HALLIDAY and F. LAWRENCE,  
Entitled  
"KENILWORTH,"  
or  
"THE QUEEN, YE EARLE, AND YE MAYDEN.".  
Queen Elizabeth,.....Mr. E. MALONE.  
Earle of Leicester,.....Mr. G. LORAN.  
Amy Robarts,.....Miss LOTTIE MAGILL.  
Walter Raleigh,.....Mr. F. W. BARTLEY.  
Treason,.....Mr. T. H. BARNARD.  
Duke of Sussex,.....Mr. W. SNOW.  
Janet,.....By a Girl of the Period!  
Varny,.....Mr. F. MACKAY.  
Wayland Smith,.....Mr. J. BULL.  
Michael Lambourne, Mr. W. BEDFORD.  
Tony Foster, alias, } Mr. M. CARMODY.  
Fire the Fugot, }  
Giles Goaling,.....Mr. T. HARDING.

To conclude with the laughable Farce in  
one act, by  
JOHN MADISON MORTON, Esq.,  
Entitled  
"MY PRECIOUS BETSEY."  
Orchestra by the remainder of the Band.  
PRICES OF ADMISSION.  
Reserved Seats,.....\$2.00.  
Front Seats,.....1.00.  
Back Seats,.....0.50.  
Tickets to be had from the Manager at  
Murray Barracks and at the Door of the  
Theatre on the Night of Performance.  
Doors open at half past 8; Performance  
to commence at 9 precisely.  
Manager,.....Corp. EDWARD WALSH.  
VIVAT REGINA.

**HONGKONG AMATEUR THEA-  
TRICAL SOCIETY, 1867-68.**  
THE Committee have the pleasure to an-  
nounce that an Extra Performance  
will be given at the LUSITANIA THEATRE, on  
Thursday Evening,  
The 10th inst.,  
When will be performed the Farce  
"TURN HIM OUT."  
And the Burlesque Extravaganza  
"TELL WITH A VENGEANCE."  
Doors open at 8 o'clock; Performance  
to commence at 8.30 precisely.  
Tickets may be obtained from Messrs  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., where a plan of  
the Theatre may be seen.

**PRICES.—Boxes, \$18; Stalls, \$3.  
H. HARRINGTON NELSON,  
Hon. Sec.  
Hongkong, December 8, 1868. del10**  
**LOTTERY.**  
TWO DRAWING-ROOM SELF-AVOIDING ORGANS.  
THE above are very fine instruments,  
and an Ornament to a Drawing-Room.  
100 chances at \$5 each. They are on view  
on the premises, 58 and 60, Wellington  
street, up to the date of drawing—24th  
December, 1868, at 1 o'clock p.m., provid-  
ing the lottery be filled up.  
First prize, large Organ; second, small  
one.  
F. DA CUNHA & Co.  
Hongkong, December 7, 1868.

**TENDERS for the Repairs of the German  
Brig "W.A.N.J.," Captain Ginner, will be  
received at the Office of the undersigned  
until Thursday, the 10th inst., at noon.  
For particulars, apply to the Captain on  
board, or to  
STIMSEN & Co.,  
Hongkong, December 7, 1868. del8**  
**NOTICE.**  
**THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
NO Further applications from Hongkong,  
or Macao, for Shares in the above  
Office will be received after the 15th inst.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, December 2, 1868. del5

**HONGKONG HOTEL.**  
THIS HOTEL will be conducted under a  
new arrangement commencing on the  
1st of December. The Charges for Board  
will remain as follow:—  
Board, \$45 a month. Tiffin only, \$15 a  
month. Dinners only, \$30 a month. One  
Breakfast or one Tiffin, 80 cents. One  
Dinner, \$1.25.  
There is an excellent assortment of wines  
for sale at moderate prices.  
The Charges for Lodging will be very  
considerably reduced. Rooms are offered  
to monthly lodgers at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40,  
or \$45 a month.  
Occasional Visitors are charged \$4 a day  
for their Rooms with or without board.  
There is an ample supply of Bathrooms,  
and Gas is laid on throughout the house.  
Longkong, November 28, 1868. del1

**Auctions.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
FANCY GOODS, PERFUMERY, &c.  
RAY & Co. will sell by Public Auc-  
tion, on  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 9th December, 1868, at Noon, at  
their Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—  
An Invoice of fancy painted Vases,  
Lustres, Bronze Statuettes, Albums,  
Opera Glasses, Musical Boxes, Watch  
Stands, Gilt Alabaster and Marble  
Clocks with Glass Shades, Carriage  
Clocks with alarm Bells, &c., &c., in-  
cluding many more articles of curious  
works.  
Catalogues will be ready on Monday,  
the 7th inst.  
Terms of SALE.—Cash before delivery  
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, December 4, 1868, del1

**Auctions.**  
**BOOK AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instruc-  
tions to sell by Public Auction, on  
**FRIDAY,**  
the 11th December, 1868, at 2 o'clock,  
at his Sales Room, Commercial Bank  
Buildings,—  
A large and well selected Invoice of  
valuable BOOKS, comprising Works in  
History, Poetry, Law, Surgery, Painting,  
Music, Architecture, Surveying and  
Engineering, Fiction, &c., &c., in-  
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Hongkong, December 4, 1868, del1

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
BOWRA & Co. will sell by Public  
Auction, on  
**THURSDAY,**  
10th Dec., 1868, at 4 p.m.,—  
On Parade Ground (kindly placed  
at their disposal by the Commandant of  
the Garrison).  
No. 1.—The Race Horse *Marquis*, win-  
ner of several races here and at  
Shanghai.  
2.—A Bay Australian Gelding, a  
good hack.  
3.—2 Bay Mares, fast in Harness  
(stud bred).  
4.—A Half-bred Arab Pony, quiet  
to ride or drive in Harness.  
5.—A North-China Pony, quiet un-  
der Saddle and in Harness.  
6.—A Manila Pony with Trap and  
Harness complete.  
7.—A Rose Canton Pony and Trap  
complete.  
8.—A Cream-colored Pony and Trap  
complete.  
9.—A Grey Canton Pony, quiet in  
Saddle or Harness.  
Several suits of Horse-clothing com-  
plete, Rollers, Kneecaps, Saving Boots,  
&c., &c., &c.  
Terms of SALE.—Cash before delivery  
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
All lots with all faults and errors of de-  
scription whatsoever at purchaser's risk  
upon fall of hammer.  
Hongkong, December 4, 1868. del10

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received in-  
structions from the Mortgagee to  
sell by Public Auction, on  
**FRIDAY,**  
the 18th day of December, 1868, at  
Noon, on the premises, under the power  
of sale contained in the Deed of Mort-  
gage—  
The Ground, Messuages and Premises  
situate at Bonham Strand, known as  
Marine Lot No. 4. C. The lot contains  
Two Houses facing the Bonham Strand,  
covering ground measuring on the North  
about 32 feet, South about 28 feet, East  
about 74 feet, and West about 87 feet.  
For further particulars, apply to the  
Undersigned.  
Terms of SALE.—One-half of the pur-  
chase money to be paid on the fall of  
the hammer, the balance on completion  
of the deeds of transfer, the expenses of  
which to be paid by the purchaser.  
Property to be at the risk of the Pur-  
chaser from the fall of the hammer.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, December 7, 1868, del11

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**Shipping.**  
**FOR NEW YORK.**  
The A 1 American barque  
"STERLING"  
(BUILT IN 1866.)  
of 488 Tons Register, LARDING,  
Master, having the greater portion of her  
cargo engaged, will load here, and at  
Whampoa, and have early despatch for the  
above port.  
For Freight, apply to  
OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1868. del1

**Shipping.**  
**FOR MADRAS DIRECT.**  
The  
"NAWORTH CASTLE,"  
Capt. LINKLATER, will be de-  
spatched on or about the 12th  
inst.  
For Freight apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1868.

**Shipping.**  
**FOR NEW YORK.**  
The A 1 British ship  
"LOUISA."  
Capt. LANDDOWN, will load here  
and at Whampoa, and have  
quick despatch for the above port.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

**Shipping.**  
**FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.**  
The A 1 British ship  
"ROSLIN CASTLE,"  
JAS. ALEXANDER, Master, of  
844 tons Register.  
For particulars, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, November 21, 1868. del21

**Shipping.**  
**FOR SALE.**  
The A 1 North German Brig  
"GAZELLE"  
of 196 Tons Register, built in  
1865 all of Oak copper-fastened  
and coppered. She ranges 3/3 L.I.I. in  
Vermorel until May 1873. The vessel is in  
first rate order.  
Apply to  
CARLOWITZ & Co.  
Hongkong, October 21, 1868. del1

**Shipping.**  
**FOR NAGASAKI.**  
The A 1 British schooner  
"CITY OF NAGARA,"  
MICHELL, Master, having en-  
gaged the larger portion of her  
cargo, will meet with quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1868. del1

**Shipping.**  
**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**  
The N. G. barque  
"MARIE,"  
Captain KLENCKE, will have  
prompt despatch for the above  
port.  
For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, December 2, 1868.

**Shipping.**  
**FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.**  
The first class French ship  
"LA PLATA"  
JOHN, Master, of 444 tons re-  
gister.  
For particulars, apply to  
FREDERIC DEGENAER.  
Hongkong, November 2, 1868.

**Shipping.**  
**NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.**  
"WHITEHALL" FROM LONDON.  
THE above named vessel having arrived  
in harbour, Consignees of Cargo are  
requested to send in their Bills of Lading  
to the Undersigned for countersignature,  
and take immediate delivery of their Goods.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the  
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-  
signees' risk and expense.  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1868. del1

**Shipping.**  
**NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.**  
"ROSLIN CASTLE" FROM LONDON.  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
named Vessel are requested to send in  
their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for  
countersignature and to take immediate  
delivery of their Goods.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-  
sel will be landed and stored at Consignees'  
risk and expense.  
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

**Shipping.**  
**NOTICE.**  
W. R. C. J. H. SCHROEDER, is authorised to  
sign our Firm per procuration, from  
this date.  
SCHWABENBERG & THIEL,  
Saigon, November 14, 1868. del1



## Notices of Firms.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. C. EMIL BACH has been admitted a Partner in our Firm here and at Shanghai from the 1st October, 1868.  
EDWARD SCHELLHASS & Co.  
Hongkong, December 5, 1868. 5ja

I HAVE this day authorised Mr. C. LANGDON DAVIES to sign my name per procuration to all orders for goods supplied to the Hongkong Hotel, and I alone am liable to pay for goods supplied upon such orders.  
I have further authorised Mr. Davies to collect all debts due to me on Hotel account, for which his receipt will be a sufficient discharge.  
LEE AFOONG.  
Hongkong, December 1, 1868. 1f

**NOTICE.**  
WE have this day established a Branch of our Firm at Hono and OSAKA.  
WAGBUELS GROSS & Co.  
Nagasaki, September 20, 1868. 16de

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE this day established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.  
G. LANGDON DAVIES.  
Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NELSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.  
Mr. THOMAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NISBET OLMSTED and Mr. H. SEYMOUR GEARY are authorised to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.  
OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, October 6, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.  
S. T. PHELPS, Agent.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. JOHN ALEXANDER SANDILANDS is authorised to sign our firm per procuration.  
R. MCGREGOR & Co.  
Hongkong, November 12, 1868. 1f

**NOTICE.**  
MR. HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE is authorised to sign our Firm per procuration, at Foochow from this date.  
BIRLEY & Co.  
Hongkong, June 3, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.  
GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.  
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. RYLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.  
GLOVER & Co.  
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have authorized Mr. CLAUDE BODRE to sign our Firm from this date.  
DREYER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

## For Sale.

**FOR SALE.**  
THE Well-known Racing Pony ALARM, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, December 5, 1868. 1f

**FOR SALE.**  
500 Tons best screened Steam Coal.  
By LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, December 5, 1868. 1f

**FOR SALE.**  
SHEET ZINC.  
Sheet LEAD.  
Galvanized RODS.  
Boiler PLATES.  
Brown Sheathing FELT.  
Yellow Metal Stern PLATES.  
ROBES and NUTS.  
RAY & Co.  
Hongkong, December 4, 1868. 4de

**FOR SALE.**  
DUFF & GORDON'S PALE SHERRY, 1 doz. cases.  
Bass ALE in qts.  
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Guinness STOUT, in qts.  
do, do, in pints.  
Hennessy BRANDY.  
Kinsail L. L. WHISKY.  
RAY & Co.  
Hongkong, December 4, 1868. 4de

**NOTICE.**  
NOW Publishing a series of Photographic Views of Hongkong, Canton and Macao, Characteristic Groups etc., etc., by the Undersigned, about 160 Photographs to select from.  
In sets of 50 mounted, price, \$30.  
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Hongkong, September 21, 1868.

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Hongkong, September 1, 1868. mar10

**THE HARBOUR YACHT RACE.**  
BY and C. have on sale "INSTANTANEOUS PHOTOGRAPHS" of the Races yesterday in five different positions.  
62, Queen's Road.  
Hongkong, November 26, 1868. de25

**WANTED.**  
ONNAGE to Amoy for 300 to 400 Tons of Dead Weight.  
ROSE, M. WALKER & Co.  
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## Insurances.

**THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS, in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.  
Consulting Committee:—  
GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.  
WM. KAYE, Esq.  
R. ROWETT, Esq.  
S. D. SARSON, Esq.  
R. BUCKLEY, Esq.  
General Managers:—Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Head Office, No. 39, Queen's Road.

**THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
which expires by effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased Capital.  
It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will, it is expected, in a very short time accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.  
It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for this purpose.  
In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:—  
The total premiums collected from the 11th May 1866 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to.....\$304,727.72  
The losses which have been paid within the same period have amounted to.....\$150,081.22  
and include the large sum of \$85,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in Nov. 1867.  
The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds.....\$160,000.00  
These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium, and enter on a profitable and organised business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regulations now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.  
The following are the main features of the New Company:—  
1. A first Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share on allotment, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months; all further Calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.  
2. Interest at 12 per cent. per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 30th December. The profits after deducting the said interest to be applied thus:—20 per cent. to the Company; 30 per cent. to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach \$1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 60 per cent. to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.  
3. No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.  
4. The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.  
5. The Funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities approved of by the Committee.  
6. Over one half of the entire number of shares has already been taken up.  
The following is the form of application for shares, which should be filled up and signed by the applicant and left with the General Managers of the Company.  
HONGKONG, 23rd November, 1868.

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Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct., A.D. 1868.  
By Order of the Board of Directors.  
ROBERT WATMORE, Secretary. de21

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## New Advertisements.

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ESTATE OF DENT AND CO.  
A FIRST DIVIDEND of Ten per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 1st January next.  
On application to the undersigned, at the Office of the Trustees, Polder's Hill, Creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees which will be payable on presentation at the Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.  
By order of the Trustees.  
K. WHEELEY, Solicitor.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1868. 1at

**NOTICE.**  
ALL Persons having claims against the Estate of the late JOHN CLARK, deceased, being Assistant Surveyor General, are requested to send in particulars of same on or before the 31st day of December next to  
F. I. HAZELAND, Solicitor.  
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## VESSELS LOADING.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Consignees.
CHINA & JAPAN PORTS—			
YOKOHAMA	Shaftebury	Ru. str.	Landstein & Co
Do.	Condon	N. G. bk.	Bourjau, Hubener & Co
OTHER PORTS—			
LONDON	John Lidgett	Br. sh.	Thomas & Mercer
Do.	Shucles	Br. bk.	Descon & Co
NEW YORK	Merida	N. G. bk.	A. Heard & Co
Do.	Sterling	Am. bk.	Olyphant & Co
Do.	Louisa	Br. sh.	Russell & Co
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY	Joshua Bates	Br. sh.	Rozario & Co
SAN FRANCISCO	Marie	N. G. bk.	Russell & Co
MADRAS	Golden Horn	Br. sh.	Russell & Co
Do.	N. Castle	Br. bk.	Jardine, M. & Co
SURINAM	Omba	Br. sh.	John Bird & Co
Do.	Veritas	Br. sh.	Turner & Co
HAVANA	Vistula	Ru. sh.	Landstein & Co

\* At Whampoa.

† At Canton.

## MEN-OF-WAR IN HONKONG HARBOUR.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Captain.
Bouncer	British	gun-boat	3	230 Rodney M. Lloyd, Lt. C.
Drake	British	gun-boat	3	230 In ordinary.
Flamer	British	naval hospital	—	230 Attached to Melville
Grasshopper	British	gun-boat	3	230 In ordinary.
Hardy	British	gun-boat	3	230 In ordinary.
Kienchan	French	gun-boat	4	400 havin
Le Brethon	French	gun-boat	3	300 Barriere
Leven	British	gun-vessel	3	300 Orford S. Cameron Lt. Comr.
Meeanee	British	Military Hospital	—	2501 Hospital ship
Melville	British	naval hospital	—	Geo. B. Hill, D.I.G.
Princess Charlotte	British	receiving ship	14	2443 Commodore Oliver J. Jones
Unadilla	U. States	gun-boat	5	580 C. Hatfield, Lieut. Comr.

## CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Captain.
An-lan	Chinese	gun-vessel	7	221 Godall
Chen-to	Chinese	gun-vessel	7	221 Edwards
Ching-teing	Chinese	gun-boat	4	Desard
Chin-bai	Chinese	gun-boat	6	Deind
Fai-long	Chinese	gun-boat	5	Francis
Spy	Chinese	gun-boat	5	Pointier
Sui-taing	Chinese	gun-boat	5	180 Stewart
Tien-po	Chinese	gun-boat	6	de Longueville

## HONKONG, MACAO AND CANTON

### RIVER STEAMERS.

Vessel.	Flag.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners or Agents.
Dragon	British	117	Stephenson	P. & O. S. N. Co
Fame, (110 h.power)	Do.	380		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Fire Dart	Do.	406	Benning	H. C. and M. Steam-boat C. pany
Kiu Shan	Do.	617		H. C. and M. Steam-boat Co.
Kiu Kiang	Do.	617		H. C. and M. Steam-boat Co.
Linton	Do.	69		Union Dock Company's Tug.
Little Orphan	Do.	48	Benning	H. C. and M. Steam-boat C. pany
Poyang	Do.	379	Cary	Q. Acheong
Prince Albert	Do.	190		Q. Acheong
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy	Do.	190		Q. Acheong
Spark	Amer.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co
Speo	Do.	140	Craves	Thomas Hunt & Co
White Cloud	British	280	Carroll	H. C. and M. Steam-boat C. pany

\* Repairing at Hongkong.

## RECEIVING SHIPS & HULKS.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Chase	P. M.	ship	283	Mason	Harbour Master (Gunpowder)
Fort William	British	ship	1000	Townsend	P. & O. S. N. Co.
John Adam	British	barque	318	Dennis Daly	Water Police
Kim Joo Hong	"	"	288		

## SHIPPING IN HARBOUR

### HONGKONG.

Consignees of Vessels will greatly oblige by forwarding corrections of errors in the following list.

Exclusive of To-day's Arrivals, Departures, and Clearances.

On Pedder's Wharf.—H. C., from Pedder's Wharf to Gibb's Wharf.—W., Westward of Gibb's Wharf.—E.C., on Pedder's Wharf to the Military Hospital.—E., Eastward of the Hospital.—K., on Kowloon side.

Vessel's Name and Where Anchored.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
1868.							
STEAMERS							
Cadiz	W. Edmund	Brit. str.	816	Dec. 4	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Ellora	W. Murray	Brit. str.	1579	Sept. 28	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Formosa	W. Barratt	Brit. str.	700	Dec. 5	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Glongyle	E. Hooper	Brit. str.	1265	Dec. 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Malta	W. Hyde	Brit. str.	940	Dec. 5	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Sultan	W. Dundas	Brit. str.	890	Nov. 27	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Venus	W. Cumming	Amer. str.	677	August 30	A. Heard & Co		
Yung-hai-an	W. Morrison	Amer. str.	447	October 19	Russell & Co	For Sale.	
SAILING VESSELS							
Adelina	W. Schutt	N. Ger. sch.	135	Dec. 4	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Alida	W. Torm	Dan. bg.	250	Dec. 4	Molchers & Co		
Anne	E. Petrie	Brit. sch.	304	Nov. 23	John Bird & Co		
Batavia	W. Hartzar	N. Ger. bk.	466	Nov. 23	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Bertha	W. Wagner	N. Ger. bg.	224	Nov. 23	Order	Singapore	
Candace	W. Meineschou	N. Ger. sch.	233	Dec. 3	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Callao	E. Lavarello	Salv. sh.	1440	Nov. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Carmelita and Ita	W. Jonson	N. Ger. bk.	400	Nov. 20	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Catharina Maria	E. Brendts	Dut. bk.	360	Dec. 4	Borneo Company		
Castle	W. Nieted	Siam. bk.	274	Nov. 14	Chinese		
Chine and Havane	E. Robert	Fch. bk.	715	Nov. 14	Order		
Christine	W. Christensen	N. Ger. sch.	173	Nov. 22	Wm. Pustau & Co		
City of Niagara	W. Mitchell	N. Ger. sch.	102	Nov. 27	Landstein & Co	Nagasaki	
Clara	W. Leund	N. Ger. bk.	330	Nov. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co		
Concor	W. Hauson	N. Ger. bk.	370	Nov. 23	Bourjau, Hubener & Co	Yokohama	
Contest	W. Reynolds	Siam. bk.	380	Nov. 26	Chinese		
Concor des Mers	E. Leumears	Fch. bk.	413	Nov. 6	Arnhold, Karberg & Co		
Cruiser	W. Hausmann	Siam. bk.	463	October 30	Chinese		
Cutwater	W. Crulman	Amer. sh.	985	Dec. 3	Olyphant & Co		
Despatch	E. Jones	Amer. bk.	178	Dec. 4	John Bird & Co		
Discreunt	W. Wagner	N. Ger. bk.	300	Nov. 28	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Douglass	W. Morrison	Brit. sh.	540	Nov. 26	Bosman & Co	San Francisco	put back
Edith Fairfield	E. Mitchell	Brit. bk.	390	Dec. 6	Arnhold Karberg & Co		
Euterpie	W. Kross	Siam. bk.	488	Nov. 3	Siemssen & Co		
Emeralda	W. Kappelmann	N. Ger. bk.	400	Nov. 22	Bourjau, Hubener & Co.		
Faithful	W. Hansch	Brit. bk.	279	Nov. 17	Siemssen & Co	Ningpo	
Finkel	E. Hicks	Brit. bk.	487	Nov. 13	E. Scheilness & Co	Bangkok	
Fortune	W. Dohrosen	Siam. bk.	447	Nov. 23	Chinese		
Friendship	W. Klindt	Siam. bk.	480	Nov. 23	Chinese		
Gastaldi	E. Benf	Brit. sh.	825	Nov. 25	John Bird & Co		
Gazelle	K. Green	N. Ger. bg.	193	Dec. 1	Carlowitz & Co		
Gezene Brous	E. Groenwold	N. Ger. bk.	400	Dec. 4	A. Heard & Co		
Gipsy	E. Siemssen	Brit. sh.	235	Nov. 20	Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Golden Horn	E. Rice	Brit. sh.	1140	October 29	Russell & Co	San Francisco	
Goliath	W. Silva	Siam. bk.	642	August 19	Chinese		
Handy	W. Hanson	Siam. sh.	543	Nov. 22	Chinese		
Hesperus	W. Spring	N. Ger. bg.	214	Nov. 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co		
Iris	W. Horn	N. Ger. sch.	191	Dec. 4	Order		
Jan Van Galen	E. Goan	Dut. bg.	333	Nov. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Johanna Mathilde	W. Lohse	N. Ger. bk.	600	Nov. 14	Siemssen & Co		
John & Mary	W. Galy	Brit. bk.	190	Dec. 3	Douglas Lapraik & Co		
Joshua Bates	W. Dovlin	Brit. sh.	560	Nov. 9	Rozario & Co	Melbourne and Sydney	
Kedar	W. Cowie	Brit. bk.	532	Dec. 4	Douglas Lapraik & Co		
Kelso	W. Vassel	Brit. bk.	536	Nov. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Latona	E. Williams	Brit. bk.	286	Dec. 7	Arnhold Karberg & Co		
Leon Fa	W. Collinson	Brit. bk.	285	October 10	Order		
Lucky	W. Loop	Siam. bk.	426	Dec. 4	Chinese		
Lysemoon	E. Sorensen	Brit. bk.	425	Nov. 27	Burrows & Co		
Maaco	E. Marales	Salv. sh.		Nov. 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Macdon	W. Summerfield	Brit. bk.	490	Dec. 4	Borneo Company		
Maggie	E. Bowman	Brit. sch.	222	Nov. 28	Order		
Malvina Vidal	E. Kassel	N. Ger. sh.	550	Nov. 21	Siemssen & Co		
Mario	W. Benzien	N. Ger. bg.	213	Nov. 28	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Marie	K. Klueck	N. Ger. bk.	450	Nov. 27	Russell & Co	San Francisco	
Martha	E. Haje	N. Ger. bk.	221	Nov. 29	Molchers & Co		
Melrose	E. Kindred	Brit. bk.	287	Dec. 5	John Bird & Co		
Merida	W. Valbortie	N. Ger. bk.	250	October 26	A. Heard & Co	New York	Immediate
Mexicana	E. Jeffries	N. Ger. bg.	278	October 28	Lygg & Co		
Mikado	E. Tlbery	Brit. sh.	646	Nov. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Mikado	W. Lampert	N. Ger. bk.	340	Nov. 24	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Milton	W. Smith	N. Ger. sh.	1064	Nov. 1	Order		
Mongal	W. Coorbe	Fch. sh.	1064	Nov. 14	Order		
Nadesda	K. Forman	Russ. sh.	526	October 12	Landstein & Co		
Naiaden	E. Nielsen	Norw. sch.	237	Dec. 4	Gibb, Livingston & Co		
Naworth Castle	E. Linklatier	Brit. bk.	348	Nov. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Madras	
Navarino	W. Paddon	Brit. bk.	408	Nov. 6	Landstein & Co		
Neva	K. Onate	Russ. sh.	1400	October 23	Landstein & Co		
Nina	E. Mesquita	Port. sh.	1099	August 23	Birley & Co		
Nuanu	E. Hager	Hawa. sch.	150	Nov. 28	Molchers & Co	Yokohama	put back
Ocean	E. Mynnes	Fch. bk.	598	Nov. 5	Russell & Co		
Omba	W. Thomson	Brit. sh.	586	October 30	John Bird & Co	Surinam	Immediate
Parcoe	W. Soule	Amer. bk.	540	October 30	Bosman & Co		
Patric	W. Christiansen	N. Ger. bk.	410	Nov. 24	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Patri Riquet	K. Genovier	Fch. bk.	438	Nov. 19	Carlowitz & Co		
Pekin	W. Seymour	Amer. bk.	595	Dec. 3	Olyphant & Co		
Princess Seraphi	W. Kotfed	Siam. bk.	454	Nov. 18	Chinese		
Princess Somowaty	W. Poske	Brit. sh.	982	Nov. 1	Borneo Company		
Race Horse	W. Kruse	Siam. sh.	387	Nov. 23	Chinese		
Rapid	W. Carlos	Siam. bk.	439	Nov. 23	Chinese		
Rebecca Goddard	E. Hanson	Amer. bk.	413	Nov. 7	Arnhold, Karberg & Co		
Red Deer	W. Spence	Brit. sh.	684	Dec. 7	Gilman & Co		
Roslin Castle	K. Alexander	Brit. sh.	644	Nov. 20	Douglas Lapraik & Co		
San Lorenzo	W. Ledesma	Span. bg.	220	Dec. 3	Remedios & Co		
Santa Anna	W. Gavito	Span. bk.	402	Nov. 20	Remedios & Co		
Sea Forth	W. Hanson	Siam. bk.	311	Nov. 16	Chinese		
Stanley	W. Daugherty	Brit. bk.	384	Nov. 23	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Surprise	E. Ranlett	Amer. sh.	1005	Nov. 6	Smith, Archer & Co		
Taffaretta	W. Bocher	Fch. bk.	390	Nov. 28	Russell & Co		
Taunton	W. Hogg	Brit. sh.	687	Nov. 8	Gilman & Co		
Tekli	E. Keor	N. Ger. bk.	350	Nov. 23	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Three Brothers	W. Gale	Brit. bk.	383	Nov. 24	Yung Chap Poon		
Uranus	W. Schoof	N. Ger. bk.	263	Nov. 30	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Veritas	W. Ingram	Brit. sh.	632	October 7	Turner & Co	Surinam	Early
Vistula	W. Burkit	Russ. sh.	635	Nov. 2	Landstein & Co	Havana	
Wanja	E. Gonnir	N. Ger. bg.	245	Nov. 27	Siemssen & Co		
Whitehall	W. Marsh	Brit. sh.	956	Nov. 22	Holliday, Wise & Co		
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